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# CUTTER SPEEDS TO AID TRAWLER IN COLLISION

The Boston trawler Flow was in collision at 10 o'clock last night with the freighter Cornerbrook about four miles northeast of Highland light, and two of her crew injured.

Apparently in the belief the trawler was in need of aid, the master of the Cornerbrook wireless for immediate assistance, and the Coast Guard Cutter Acushnet was dispatched from patrol. It was estimated the Acushnet would reach the trawler about 4.30 a. m.

In a radio telephone conversation, however, Capt. Douglas Schwartz of the Flow, said the fisherman was not in any danger, and that she could

proceed under her own power. The Cornerbrook, he said, was standing by.

Capt. Schwartz said that the Flow had been struck above the water line on her port side, and that she could easily remain afloat.

An injured member of the crew, Joseph Dobbin, was treated for a badly cut foot after instructions had been telephoned from the Chelsea Naval hospital.

The Flow, one of the fleet of the Bay State Fishing Company, was due in Boston today with a catch of 80,000 pounds of fish. She left a week ago. She carries a crew of 15 besides Capt. Schwartz.

The Cornerbrook sailed last night from Boston for New York. She docked at Boston, Monday, with a cargo of newsprint from Dalhousie, N. B. She is owned by the International Paper and Power Company of Newfoundland.

## SQUIBS FROM THE WATER FRONT

Little David ventured forth Monday night on its premier attempt to wrest the swordfish from the deep, with Capt. Frank Brenha at the wheel, bound for Georges. The new vessel just off the skids is not so big, but she looks ambitious.

Pardon Squibs for the intrusion, but the blankety-blank fog is so thick that it is forever penetrating this colyum, and there was so much of it along the waterfront this morning that the fishermen were slicing it and placing it atop their muffins for frosting. Everyone walking along the waterfront had to carry his own foghorn to avoid collisions with his fellow-wanderer.

That same fog has added to the woes of the gill net fishermen who have had a day off, because to look for their nets would be like doing a jig-saw puzzle, trying to find the missing strip. Very few were out yesterday and just as few today.

Skipper Frank Fonsic sailed to the south'ard in the swordfisherman again yesterday morning, after getting aboard a new lot of supplies.

And with him this time went a new cook, one Manuel Madiro, who has changed his allegiance from seiners, having been with the Thelma, Capt. Steven Campbell's boat, to the swordfishing fleet. Manuel has a contract in keeping a swordfishing crew satisfied, for they certainly can make holes in the larder.

Which reminds Squibs that among the fishermen, perpetual motion is no great secret or mystery, for they found it years and years ago in what is known as the "shack-locker" door. The shack-locker by the way is the home of all food to be eaten in between meals, and the cook has a contract on his hands to keep that larder in a healthy condition. They call it the shack locker because it contains odds and ends of food, just the same as they call a fare of fish that includes many kinds of fish, a shack trip. Fishermen encouraged by the ocean deep and its atmosphere and also by the hard work that must be done when they are striking the fish, certainly can stow away a lot of grub, and the door to that locker is swinging perpetually as one after the other helps himself. Scientists take notice!

'Twas the ocean tug Mars which arrived with the coal barge Bourne just outside Eastern Point breakwater in the dense fog Monday morning. The tug had two barges in tow, the other one consigned to a Portland firm. The skipper certainly knew his business for he manoeuvred the local-bound barge inside the breakwater, to the Pancake ground, despite the wall of fog that hindered his progress and sense of direction. From the Pancake, the local tug Eveleth, Capt. Loren A. Jacobs, took charge, and brought her into the Gloucester Coal and Lumber wharf, while the ocean tug again picked up the second tug and proceeded to Portland.

Incidentally, the Bourne's skipper is Capt. Fitzgerald, and he has 2000 tons of soft coal aboard which is now being unloaded at the Gloucester Coal wharf. The coal was loaded at what is known as Sewall's Point, West Virginia, sometimes called "Water's Edge". They say the craft should be unloaded by tonight.

The haddock Killarney, Capt. Joe Broussard, left here for Boston yesterday noon to get her crew and then proceed to the banks.

Skipper Simon P. Theriault guided the halibuter American out around the Point again yesterday afternoon, bound for Boothbay, Me., to get bait, and from there to the banks. The American stocked \$3500 on its last halibut trip which took three weeks, and the crew shared \$59 each.

Squibs notes that Capt. Bob Carter's small but able trawler, Helena, is on the ways at Rocky Neck having the shoe repaired. That same skipper Bob is one of the veteran shore shermen in these parts, and as far as is known, has been engaged in this type of fishing longer than any other old salt out of Gloucester. He has passed the 70-year mark, and is still going strong. In fact, he thrives on it.

Among the nightmares bothering the sleep of this colyumist is that ditty entitled "I Cover the Water-front". To be perfectly frank, Squibs does not "cover" the waterfront in the fashion described in the song, for his romantic days are well under control, believe it or not. And when he sees the seagulls flitting to and frothy, his thoughts go out in sympathy for the poor fish that are in for a tough session as soon as the gull spots them, instead of thinking of them being messengers of what-have-you. There are some things that get in one's hair, as they say along Main street.

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### Notice to Mariners.

The Superintendent of Lighthouses, Portland, Me., announces the following:

West Penobscot Bay, Me., Northern Entrance Gilkey Harbor, Grindel Point Lighted Bell Buoy, 14, to be established about June 30, 1933, in 18 feet, 236 degrees, 200 yards from Grindel Point lighthouse. Buoy will be black, and will show a flashing white light every five seconds, flash one second, eclipse four seconds, of 70 candlepower, 12 feet above water, visible seven miles. Buoy will be maintained annually from June 1 to September 30 (Light Lists, Atlantic and New England Coasts, 1933, No. 465.)

Kennebec river, Me., Doubling Point Light changed to flashing white every five seconds, flash 0.5 second, eclipse 4.5 seconds, of 550 candlepower, June 26, 1933. (Light Lists, Atlantic and New England Coasts, 1933, No. 74).

### Damaged Trawler Arrives.

With one member of the crew injured and one side of the vessel badly damaged, the steam trawler Flow, in a collision Tuesday night four miles northeast of Highland light with the British freighter Corner Brook, docked yesterday afternoon at East Boston under her own power. Her catch of 80,000 pounds of fresh cod and haddock was unloaded intact.

The injured man, Wiggo Keoford, cook, was treated for cuts about the head and on the left hand. His condition was not serious. The roof and wall of the cabin had pinned him to the deck when they collapsed.

The Coast Guard cutter Acushnet, which contacted the trawler at 5.30 a. m. yesterday, towed the craft to a point off Finns ledge, from where the Flow came in under her own power. The freighter continued on to New York after the collision, not badly damaged. It had stood by until the master of the trawler, Capt. Douglas E. Schwartz, determined his craft would not sink before the arrival of the Acushnet.

### N. S. Bait Report.

Canso—No bait. Ice available. No vessels in port.

Halifax—Twenty thousand pounds frozen herring available.

Liverpool—Plenty ice available. Bait for local use only. Fair catches of herring and mackerel.

Lockeport—Limited quantity of bait.

Lunenburg—No bait. Ice available.

North Sydney—No bait. Ice available.

Port Hawkesbury—Twenty-five thousand pounds frozen herring and plenty ice available.

Queensport—Ten barrels of herring in traps. No vessels in port.

Shelburne—Fresh herring available. Yarmouth—Plenty fresh and frozen bait and ice available.

Grindstone—Few mackerel taken Saturday. Some herring taken at Amherst but scarce elsewhere.

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## SQUIBS FROM THE WATER FRONT

### SWORDFISHERMEN REPORT FISH FEW AND FAR BETWEEN TO DATE

The swordfisherman Marie and Winnifred came down from Boston last night after landing 50 swordfish, for which the crew shared \$10 each, which seems to make them high-line of the fleet of 50 vessels sailing out of this port.

Like the rest of them, Capt. Jerome Noble reports that 'tis poor hunting for the fish this season, and they are far and few between. Some of the boats have covered a lot of ocean in their search since the first of the month, and their rewards have been meagre.

Most of the first fleet of 29 mackerel seiners which left here last week end for their seven days of fishing, until they could get 20,000 pounds, have succeeded in their quest and are returning to Gloucester to tie up for 10 days. The Sebastiana C., Capt. Charles Nelson, only took seven hours to reach the fish pier in Boston with his allotted catch. That sure is speed. Other boats made similar quick contact.

Whether they have any fish or not, the Italian fleet of seiners will be home by Saturday at the latest for they would not miss the great celebration of St. Peter, their patron saint for any amount of fish. Besides, the crews of some of the seiners, have to get in some rowing practice so as to be ready for the big race off Pavilion beach next Sunday when Skipper Joe Cottone of the Hoop-la intends to make it three straight victories in as many years in this Italian classic.

Aviator Bob Wharton, son of the skipper of the beam trawler Fabia, was up in the air again, this time being called to Bangor, Maine, to cart a load of films of the President's yachting trip, back to New York for the national syndicate publications. Being messenger boy for these camera fiends, means speed and plenty of it, and Bob's Cessna plane is quite equal to the task. Incidentally that's the best way to travel over a choppy sea, a mile above the cruel waves, in Squib's estimation.

The salt steamer Baron Ailsa, concluded her unloading of the 3000 tons of salt at the Pew wharf of the Gorton-Pew branch, and will be bound for the next port of call where a load of freight will be awaiting her.

Capt. John Hall is here in the swordfisherman Theresa and Dan after landing his fare at Boston. Capt. Hall has given up treasure hunting, it is understood, and is due to leave soon for another try at the long hunt for the fin which signifies the ocean's treasure is on the surface.

By the way, the fishermen report that the vicinity of Georges has been treating them to some fine weather these past few weeks. What they think about the fog in these regions is nobody's business.

Although they established no records yesterday, the gill netting fleet, what there is of them, did well considering the fact that the cod has evidently taken a summer vacation. Capt. Gene LaFond topped the list in the C. A. Meister, when he landed 3,000 pounds of cod at the Producers' Fish company at the Port. The total amounted to 11,000 pounds for eight boats, which compared to the last few weeks, is very, very good.

## FEW ARRIVALS AT THIS PORT

### IMPERATOR DOWN FROM HUB WITH 70,000 POUNDS FISH TO SPLIT.

Fresh fish arrivals here since yesterday totaled 93,000 pounds with the haddock Emperor from Boston bringing in the bulk, 70,000 pounds of large and market cod for splitting at the Gorton branch of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries. Eight gill netters had 11,000 pounds of cod, while the traps had mackerel, whiting and a small amount of butterfish.

#### Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail: Emperor, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. large and market cod.  
Nimbus, netting, 500 lbs. mackerel.  
St. Peter, seining, 2400 lbs. small, and 1600 lbs. large mackerel.  
Eliza C. Riggs, netting, 200 lbs. mackerel.

Tarr's trap, 800 lbs. mackerel.  
Oman's traps, 10 bbls. whiting.  
Woodbury's traps, 20 bbls. whiting.  
Frontiero's traps, 600 lbs. butterfish.

Smack O. K. Service II., Grindstone, Quebec, 140 crates live lobsters.  
Theresa and Dan, via Boston.  
Marie and Winnifred, via Boston.  
Alice and Mildred, via Boston.  
Three Sisters, via Boston.

#### Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

C. A. Meister, 3000 lbs. cod.  
Nashawena, 1500 lbs. cod.  
Liboria C., 1500 lbs. cod.  
Edna Fae, 1200 lbs. cod.  
Enterprise, 1000 lbs. cod.  
Naomi Bruce, II., 1000 lbs. cod.  
Phyllis A., 1000 lbs. cod.  
Virginia and Joan, 1000 lbs. cod.

### TIMES FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Large salt trawl cod, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.50.  
Large cusk, \$1.50; medium, \$1.  
Hake, \$1.

Fish not gilled, large cod, 20 cents less; medium cod, 15 cents less.

#### Splitting Prices.

Large fresh cod, \$1.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1; snappers, 50 cents.  
Haddock, 50 cents.  
Hake, 60 cents.  
Pollock, 50 cents.  
Large cusk, 75 cents; medium, 50 cents.

#### On the Ways.

Alice and Mildred is on Parkhurst's marine railways, for painting.  
Natale S. is on Parkhurst's marine railways, for overhauling.

#### Portland News.

Another of the Portland fleet of swordfishing vessels returned to port early Wednesday afternoon with a small number of fish in her pens for the first trip, a common occurrence this season. She was the Benjamin Thompson, Capt. Tom Holbrook, and she took out 20 fish.

#### Large Schools Mackerel.

Large schools of mackerel have kept all the fishermen along the Hubbards, N. S., shore very busy, the latter part of last week.

## BOSTON FLEET IS SMALL TODAY

### FOUR OF 11 ARRIVALS HAVE MACKEREL—MARKET NOT VERY BRISK.

A fleet of 11 vessels came into the Boston fish pier today with groundfish, mackerel and flat fish. The market was dull and prices ruled low on about all varieties. There were no swordfish arrivals.

Total receipts were 410,000 pounds of groundfish, 51,900 pounds of fresh mackerel, 60,000 pounds of mixed fish.

Haddock sold at \$2.25 to \$3.50; large cod, \$1.75 to \$2 and markets \$1.75 to \$2. Large mackerel brought 3 1-2 to 3.75 cents and small 3 1-2 cents.

Yesterday's rail receipts included a consignment of 200 boxes of fresh eastern salmon for the traditional Fourth of July feast. Other large lots of salmon are expected before the end of the week.

#### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail: James Burke, 11,400 mackerel.  
Hoop-la, 20,000 mackerel.  
Superior, 13,000 mackerel.  
Serafina N., 7500 mackerel.  
Str. Newton, 50,000 haddock, 43,000 cod, 14,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Maine, 50,000 haddock, 23,000 cod, 22,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Fordham, 22,000 haddock, 53,000 cod, 6000 mixed fish.  
Exeter, 30,000 haddock, 1700 cod, 9000 mixed fish.  
Sadie M. Nunan, 14,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 3000 mixed fish.  
Henrietta, 11,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Ruth and Margaret, 35,000 haddock, 34,000 cod, 5500 mixed fish.  
Haddock, \$2.25 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$1.75 to \$2; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$1; pollock, 75 cents; cusk, \$1; gray sole, 2 cents per lbs.; lemon sole, 3 1-2 cents; black backs, 2 cents; yellow tails, 1 1-2 cents; dabs, 1 cent; large mackerel, 3 1-2 cents to 3.75 cents, small mackerel, 2 1-2 cents; sharks, 2 cents; catfish, 1 cent.

Considerable interest is attached to the proposed trip of the sch. Gertrude L. Thebaud to the World's Fair at Chicago, which will materialize providing the legislators of Beacon Hill approve the movement. They say that many have offered their services for this trip to Capt. Ben Pine and in fact if all who want to go, were signed up, the Thebaud would have to expand considerably and then some.

Meantime where is Capt. Jim Mason and the sch. Arthur D. Story, that old-time fisherman with an old-time skipper, which went sailing over the briny with the strangest passenger list of its interesting career? Somewhere along the coast of Maine, in the midst of the fog, probably with the camera-men aboard, praying for the banks to lift, so they can get bigger and better shots of the President and his party of the Amberjack II.

The haddock Emperor dropped into port from Boston yesterday afternoon with Capt. Jack Brown at the wheel, and went to the Gorton branch of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries to unload 70,000 pounds of cod for splitting. That will keep a few men busy for a day or so, which is a help.

More lobsters for the Consolidated Lobster company of Bay View, arrived in port Tuesday when the O. K. Service II, Capt. S. E. Himmelman, brought 140 crates of live lobsters from Grindstone, Province of Quebec.

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